# Village of Ardentown

Ardentown, Bel. 19810

#### NOTICE

#### TOWN MEETING

AT THE CANDLELIGHT THEATRE (downstairs)

Monday, November 9, 1998

7:30 PM

Agenda (partial)

1. ELECTIONS: Town Officers:

Town Chair

Town Treasurer Town Secretary

- 2. UPDATE ON THE LATEST DEVELOPMENT ON THE SALE OF KAMIN (INGLESIDE)
- 3. UPDATE OF THE STATUS OF THE SUNNYSIDE TRACT

## PLEASE COME!

We need a quorum to elect town officers. Please plan to attend. The meetings only last approximately 1 or 1 1/2 hours. Please come.

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THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE OF ARDENTOWN WAS CONVENED AT 7:45 PM ON SEPTEMBER 14, 1998, CHRISTOPHER COBURN, CHAIR, PRESIDING. A QUORUM WAS PRESENT.

#### In attendance were:

1. Lisa Wilson Riblett 21. Sue Coburn 2. Chris Coburn 2. Chris Coburn

3. Page Dwyer

4. Kate Bartolo

5. Ray Lavoie

6. David Scott

7. Rusty Hoegger

8. Ed Kime

9. Marylou Kime

10. Lee Till

11. Charles W. Till

12. Shari Phalan

13. Betty Ann Themal

14. Bob DeNigris

15. Stefanie Lombardo

16. Beth Holloway

17. Harry Themal

18. Dotty Verne

20. Peter Coburn

21. Art Cohen

22. Art Cohen

23. Art Cohen

24. Cathy Cohen

25. Maureen Gordon

26. Bobby Lockerman

27. Jack Brandner

28. John D. Brandner, Jr.

29. Ginny Gotides

30. Pat Phillips

31. Joann Lips

32. Pat Lane

33. Diane Scanlon

34. Joe Scanlon

35. Frances Frampton

36. Sarah Coburn

37. Frank Gavas

38. Jennifer Cross Gavas

39. Janet Cosgrove

40. Dela M. Bryan

Other: Wayne Smith 22. Peter Coburn

Guest Speaker: Wayne Smith, State Rep., said the Sunnyside Tract will happen. It is presently between our lawyer and their lawyer. Wayne hopes to have a ribbon cutting for this in the future when everything is finalized.

Other: Wayne Smith

Shari Phalan asked again about the Conrail Environment Impact Study. Wayne to look into this and get back to Shari.

Wayne is up for re-election in November and asks that everyone gets out and votes.

PRESENTATION OF PLANS FOR HARVEY ROAD TRAFFIC CALMING BY HARRY THEMAL. Harry showed a large map of Harvey Road detailing the desired design including raised sections of road, crosswalks, entrances and possibly a traffic light at Veale Road. This plan will be presented to DelDot later this month. Money has been set aside for projects like this by Congress. Cost of this project is \$500,000. Wayne said this project would take approximately a couple of months to

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Harry said the Claymont Fire Company is concerned because of the fire equipment being slowed down and Talley Fire Company is also concerned because they sometimes help Claymont.

Bev Barnett has helped spread the word by inviting outside leaders to see our plan and help them understand our needs.

195 traffic will be somewhat shut down for repaving. A plan is being made that would widen Harvey and Marsh Roads (by 195 Citizens Advisory Board) and enlarge the Veale/Harvey Roads intersection. These revisions would be made to help with the 195 partial closing for road work.

Wayne said that there is a growing group of opposition from other communities regarding the Traffic Calming Plan. Wayne said he does not know how this will turn out.

Kate Bartolo asked about Harvey Road being a State Road. It has been a State Road since approximately 1920s or 1930s.

Stefanie asked about the planting areas in the design for Harvey Rd. Harry said these are narrow planting areas.

Joe Scanlon expressed his concern about how far traffic backs up from the light at Harvey and Sconset. Joe is concerned about a bottleneck and back ups. Harry said the light on Harvey Road at Sconset has an advanced green arrow light which slows down traffic. Wayne will contact Harry regarding the light.

Jack Brandner is concerned also about traffic volume. Jack said if we are going to spend 1/2 a million dollars on this maybe the State or County Police could come more often. Wayne said we can hire police privately during their offtime. If the Ardens employ the police, we would keep the fines.

Joann Lips asked why people don't use Naamans Road. Wayne said the safety issue has been raised because emergency vehicles would take longer to get through.

Stefanie asked about the safety issue of fire trucks and emergency vehicles going fast on Harvey. Harry said the vehicles would like to see the road straightened and widened. Harry said the Fire Chief of Claymont is studying this situtation. Harry said this plan has already been modified and reduced from its original.

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Pete Coburn asked that we remove the possibility of a light at Veale and Harvey Roads because of backup and winter ice on Veale.

Harry motioned that we accept this plan regarding Harvey Road Traffic Calming. Page seconded the motion.

Jack Brandner said he motioned we table this until we have further info. This was not seconded or carried.

Chris Coburn said all three Villages have to vote on this by the end of September. The vote was 33 approved and 7 disapproved.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Dotty Verne

Edward and Katherine Kelly sold 1519 Woodland Road to Derek Shockro on August 31, 1998.

Neil Van Doren moved out of Ardentown.

Kate Bartolo moved to 2312 Brae Road.

Dorothy Hitman sold 2311 Hilltop Road to Janet Cosgrove on August 7, 1998.

Will Heinman moved out of Ardentown.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Both May and September Minutes were approved.

ELECTIONS: Civic Com. (from May)

Ed Kime, David Scott, Hardy Hoegger were

unanimously re-elected.

Audit Com. (from May)

Lee Till and Marylou Kime were unanimously

elected.

Budget/Assessment Com. (from Sept.)

Jack Brandner and Betty Solway Smith were

unanimously re-elected.

Registration Com. (from Sept.)

Nancy King and Kate Bartolo were unanimously

re-elected.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lisa for Barb Mondzelewski

Checking Balance: \$539.28

Savings: \$20,245.00

CIVIC COMMITTEE: Page Dwyer, Chair

- 1. Paving to begin on Hillside Road soon. Residents in this area have Trustee permission to park on the Pettit Green.
- 2. Steps in Woods. Bob Osbourn will address soon.

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3. Circle Area (behind Charlie and Lee Till's house) will hopefully be worked on soon.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT:

Charlie Till said 9 rotten trees have been removed. Joann Lips said some trees have fallen across the Creek. Charlie will look into it.

### MEMORIAL GARDEN: Jack Brandner, Chair

- 1. A new cedar sign designed and made by Walter Broadbent has been installed in the Garden and cost \$270.00 not counting installation.
- 2. The last two years have been hard on the plantings in the Garden. Jack was concerned about sufficient water for the plants.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Harry Themal reported that Kamin has been sold to Mark Roth who is an assisted living consultant.
- 2. Shari Phalan asked about the bulldozers by the Creek by Indian Fields. Joann Lips said this was part of an ongoing project to help with the soil. Harry said further plantings are planned for the Spring.
- 3. Sally Decker asked about the Cable TV problem. Harry said they are supposedly done.
- 4. Lisa Wilson Riblett asked for permission to have the 3rd annual Autumn Campfire/Sleepover on the Pettit Green. It was approved by the Trustees. No date was set.
- 5. Joann Lips said on the 3rd Tuesday of October at the BWVC at 7:30pm the Naamans' Creek Water Shed Association Open House would be held. All welcome.
- 6. Betty Ann Themal said the By-Laws need to be updated to bring them up to speed. Betty Ann is willing to help and will be looking for additional help.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lua Melson Release

Lisa Wilson Riblett

Secretary

# Village of Ardentown

Established 1922 Incorporated 1975

Ardentown, Del. 19810

September 15, 1998

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Beverly Barnett, Chairperson Harvey Road Traffic Calming Com. 2117 Meadow Lane Arden, DE 19810

Dear Bev,

At the Monday, September 14 Ardentown Meeting, Harry Themal gave a detailed presentation of the Harvey Road Traffic Calming plan. After a discussion period, the Village of Ardentown voted 33 to 7 to accept the plan. A quorum was present.

Thank you for your help and support on this very important project.

Sincerely,

Lisa Wilson Riblett

Secretary

cc: Chris Coburn, Chair Harry Themal, Trustee